



VIET CONG DEAD: Bodies of Viet Cong soldiers are stacked on U.S. 9th Division armored personnel carrier Monday en route to mass grave on battlefield near Bau Bang, 31 miles north of Saigon. They were part of two crack Viet Cong battalions who hurled themselves at a smaller, untried U.S. armored unit but were smashed by American firepower and maneuverability. The enemy left 224 bodies on the battlefield. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Saigon)

Huge Red Force Routed By GIs

★★★ LBJ Returns Today ★★★

From Associated Press
American infantrymen mauled a Red regiment of some 2,500 men today in a furious battle that left at least 423 Communists dead in the tangled jungles near the Cambodian border.

U.S. headquarters said the remnants of the crack 272nd Viet Cong Regiment was fleeing to-

ward Cambodia with a hail of air and artillery fire smashing down on their escape routes. American losses in the bitter fight, which broke out this morning, were announced as 30 dead, 109 wounded and three missing. The battle sent the Communist death toll in Operation Junction City to more than 1,500 since it

began Feb. 22.

LBJ RETURNING

Before leaving Guam today for his return to Washington, President Johnson said his two days of Vietnam talks there were instructive and constructive but produced no momentous decisions. He added, "We took no decisions of a military nature."

South Vietnam's Premier Nguyen Cao Ky and chief of State Nguyen Van Thieu flew back to Saigon, and as soon as they arrived Thieu announced his government had asked North Vietnam to join it in a peace meeting. But he said no answer had been received from Hanoi.

U.S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge said he saw "absolutely" no immediate prospect for peace negotiations to settle the Vietnam war.

LITTLE HOPE

In Washington, the doves among Senate Democrats have about given up hope that President Johnson can initiate Vietnam peace talks before they have to face voters in 1968.

Meanwhile, the Senate begins considering defense spending for fiscal 1968 after voting overwhelmingly to provide \$12.2 billion more this year for Vietnam fighting.

House Republican Leader Gerald Ford Jr. of Michigan said the disagreement between President Johnson and Democratic Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, D-N.Y., on ending the Vietnam war will result in prolonging it.

Pair Given Long Terms As Bandits

Armed Robbery Termed Second Only To Murder

By KEITH WOOD
Staff Writer

"Let the word go out," was the admonition of Berrien Circuit Judge Chester J. Byrns Monday, in sentencing two armed robbers to long prison terms. Given a 30 to 60-year sentence was Louis Myers, 20, of 211 South Hull avenue, Benton Harbor. Charles Hunt, Jr., 32, Townline road, Benton township, was given a 20 to 50-year term.

The sentences are among the longest ever imposed by a Berrien Circuit judge for armed robbery, which carries a maximum of life.

'THREAT TO LIFE'

The frequency of armed robberies in recent months would indicate some people don't consider it a serious crime, but it is, Judge Byrns said. "We regard armed robbery as one of the most serious, ranking just below murder," he added, "and it sometimes becomes murder. Not only it is stealing from another person — a crime in itself — but it is threatening to take a human life, and having the means to do it."

Past records of both men showed little promise for rehabilitation, he indicated. Of Myers, he said there appeared no hope and he could only conclude Myers was a very dangerous man. "There is no doubt in my mind you are a threat to the community," he said.

Judge Byrns said he saw some hope for rehabilitation of Hunt, but much of his life had been wasted. He has a record of physical violence and hurting of others, the judge said.

Myers was convicted Jan. 26 in connection with the Oct. 18, 1966 armed robbery at the Pacer service station, 869 East Main street, Benton Harbor. Hunt was convicted Jan. 13 of the Aug. 13, 1966 robbery of the Wesco station on M-139, Benton township.



CHESTER BYRNS
Berrien Circuit Judge

tossed more aid into urban slum areas, but drained off funds originally scheduled for nearby districts.

That gave such cities as New York, Philadelphia and St. Louis up to \$1 million more than they expected. But some neighboring districts got only half as much.

Russia Pays

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)—A check arrived from the Soviet government Monday to pay the \$5,000 fine assessed the skipper of a Russian fishing boat seized recently in U.S. territorial waters.

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CAN'T STAND THE HEAT

Features

Dodd Case Poses Hard Questions

A Select Committee of the Senate comprising three Democrats and three Republicans started yesterday to sift through a maze of conflicting testimony on the financial behavior of a fellow member, Thomas J. Dodd (D., Conn.).

The committee, headed by Sen. John Stennis, Mississippi Democrat, concluded its hearings Friday. Dodd was the last witness to take the stand.

His trial has been almost 15 months in the making, starting with a series of stories by the syndicated columnist, Drew Pearson, charging that Dodd's money entanglements are not in the best tradition of conduct expected from the world's most distinguished legislative organization.

Pearson obtained his information from two disgruntled employees of Dodd. His personal secretary and his legislative assistant, each of whom is tied into the money juggling, rifled Dodd's files and delivered the papers to Pearson.

The financial probe is really the second step in the Dodd case.

Ten months ago a different Select Committee looked into his relationships with Julius Klein, a registered lobbyist for West German business interests. No report has been issued yet as to whether Dodd used his position for improper purposes and with personal profit to himself. Again, it was Pearson who revealed the first insight into those transactions.

The investigation immediately at hand goes into the propriety of Dodd's handling his money affairs.

One complaint is that he accepted funds from private sources in payment of trip expenses and then billed the Treasury for reimbursement, claiming he incurred the costs as part of a legislator's necessary junketing to obtain background material on public issues.

Testifying before the Committee and in subsequent press interviews, Dodd vigorously denied being a double biller, but remained vague as to the details of those journeys.

The other principal charge is using campaign contributions to re-finance his personally embarrassed condition, including deficiencies on his income tax.

Dodd does not refute the facts in the allegation, but defends himself on the ground that the contributors understood campaign expenses and his depleted pocketbook were one and the same thing. In other words, his supporters realized he had to be propped up at home if they expected him to be their candidate.

The Committee perhaps should hire an auditor to thread his way through the transcript of the hearing since the testimony of what was paid and where it was spent doubles back on itself constantly. The best guess of the reporters covering the hearings appears to average out this mysterious float at about \$340,000 over the past six years.

Had not the House pounced on Adam Clayton Powell, it is a reasonable possibility the Senate might have scotched the second hearing.

By a dollars and cents computation, the bulk of Dodd's wrongdoing falls into a puzzle which produces much conversation but few, if any, answers.

It is the all too common situation of a qualified man in moderate or less than moderate circumstances finding the money to campaign in a regional, state or national contest.

The cost of running for Congress, the Senate, Governor or President has ballooned amazingly in the past few decades; and for many this expense is only the beginning. Once dispatched to the House or Senate, the winner may find another struggle ahead of him to maintain himself and his family in halfway decent surroundings at Washington.

Effectively, the American tradition of going from a log cabin to the White House no longer holds true unless the candidate has money in his own right or can obtain it from individuals or organizations interested in his destiny and their own ideas.

Hubert Humphrey gave vent publicly to this anguish when trying to buck the Kennedy bankroll in the 1960 Presidential primaries.

Don Pears brought a statewide reputation as House speaker into the 1962 Congressional primary. His campaign visibly faltered before that of Ed Hutchinson and Chet Byrns to whom finding money was the least of their worries. These and other samples give the Committee its worst headache.

For no other reason than the Powell case, the Committee will have to do something about Dodd if cries of racism are to be quieted.

Developing a code of ethics on the campaign process itself, which is the reason for the Committee's appointment, will be the real task to meet.

A realistic appraisal of this financial problem is more important than Dodd's personal punishment.

There is one piece of information elicited in the hearings which may be of interest to all potential fund contributors.

The manager of one \$100 a plate dinner for Dodd informed the Committee that late comers received reduced prices.

"In the last few days before the dinner, the prospect can always get a \$100 plate for \$25. But you can still make a good profit on \$25," he declared.

This may be the announcement of a lot of people will remember when the '68 drive rolls around.

Hoary Harbinger

News that the first iceberg of the year has been sighted in the North Atlantic removes all doubt that spring is here actually as well as officially. Icebergs are hoary harbingers of the warming season. Icebergs are hunks of glaciers.

In the Arctic winter, the glaciers freeze harder, and icebergs have little chance to break off. Come spring, they start to thaw. There are cracks and creaks, heaves and groans in the glacial ice, with now and then a big berg breaking loose to ride to self-immolation in the embrace of the mother sea.

By summer, the glaciers have given up most of their winter excess and the few bergs that still break off melt faster in the long hours of sunlight.

The International Ice Patrol is settling down to a seasonal vigil to forestall another iceberg disaster like the sinking of the Titanic in 1912. Aerial scouts spot icebergs and report their position, which is broadcast twice a day from the patrol's headquarters in Argentina, Newfoundland. Later on, bergs will be conveyed by patrol cutters until they melt or drift out of the main oceanic traffic lanes.

Modern ships also have the advantage of radar, which the Titanic lacked. But with heavy seas running, radar may be undependable because the dangerous bulk of an iceberg is under water. So the patrol is still needed to give transatlantic travelers added assurance that the first sign of spring will not be the last one for them.

The Swingin' Life

Reporter home from Adam Clayton Powell's press conferences on Bimini Island say the place is a veritable paradise where there is absolutely no crime.

How come? Because nothing's illegal there, say the reporters.

Chameleons, best known for their ability to change colors, also have trick eyes. One eye can look up while the other pivots down.



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Glancing Backwards—

POSTMASTERS ATTEND SCHOOL
—1 Year Ago—
Nine Berrien county postmasters have returned from Lansing where they attended a three-day postmasters' training school. Classes were designed to help postmasters keep abreast of the many new developments in the postal system.

Attending from the county were Lloyd Kolhoff, Berrien Springs; Ted Russ, New Buffalo; Donald Walden, Niles; Gerald Howard, Stevensville; Paul Kramer, Three Oaks; John Brule Watervliet; James Bowen, Benton Harbor; Gordon Young, Coloma; Richard Herman, Sodus.

STEVENSVILLE GETS TOURNAMENT HOLIDAY
—10 Years Ago—
Stevensville, home of Coach Phil Hey and his state tournament basketball squad is in a gay, festive mood today following last night's 85-72 quarter final victory over Crystal at Hastings.

The Cardinals' victory over Crystal was big news for the

student body but even better news was given the students this morning when Doyle Barkmeier, superintendent, announced that school would be dismissed for the entire day tomorrow.

CHEERS GIVEN FOR MACARTHUR
—25 Years Ago—
General Douglas MacArthur rode triumphantly into Melbourne today and promptly promised the cheering thousands who gave him a hero's welcome that he would do his best to carry the cause of the United Nations to "ultimate success." "I shall keep a soldier's faith," General MacArthur declared simply in a short speech. The demonstration for the hero of Bataan, deeply tanned after his days in the Philippines, was one of the greatest in the history of the commonwealth of Australia.

Meanwhile, the burning and sinking of a Japanese heavy cruiser by Allied bombers yesterday in a daring daylight attack on Rabaul, New Britain, was reported by Prime Minister

John Curtin in Canberra.

CHANGE POSITIONS
—35 Years Ago—
Miss Helen Diamond has accepted a position as cashier at the Caldwell theater, succeeding Miss Therese Briggs who has gone on her new duties with the Gersonde Tire service.

PLOWS ARE OUT
—45 Years Ago—
The Berrien county road commission has four snow plows out working on the county trunk line highways today in an effort to clean off the snow drifts left in the wake of Sunday night's blizzard.

MOVE STORE
—55 Years Ago—
Fetke & Rutkowski have removed their clothing store from their former location on State street to the store recently vacated by Charles Schaefer.

Inside Washington

By HENRY CATHCART

WASHINGTON — The question being asked in Washington officialdom these days is whether Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, D-N.Y., would have taken his dove-like stand on the Vietnam war if his brother was still in the White House and the war had developed the way it has.

Of course, if John F. Kennedy had remained alive, Bobby would not have voiced his opinions openly. Most probably, however, his views would have had a far greater effect on the course of government policy in Vietnam.

The views and opinions that grow out of this hypothetical question are many and varied. For one thing, it can be contended that the war would not have developed in the way it has — that the late President Kennedy might have opted for less escalation and been more willing to play a waiting game.

A review of policy decisions of recent presidents, whether Democrats or Republicans, tends to contradict this supposition. In the field of foreign affairs, at least, it can be demonstrated that the same realities and pressures tend to produce the same reactions in presidential decision-making, regardless of party labels.

In the matters of anti-Communist and foreign aid policies, recent presidents have tended to stay on the same course, for example.

This, it can be contended, that the 1967 position of the opposing forces in Vietnam would have been much the same if the late President Kennedy was still in office.

This brings the discussion back to its starting point — would Senator Kennedy have taken a stand against continuation of the bombings of North Vietnam? The answer, most probably, is no. Senator Kennedy would have had a closer identification with official administration policy, for one thing. But mainly he would not have been motivated by personal political considerations that certainly played a part in the views he expressed in his Senate speech.

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speaking of YOUR HEALTH

By Lester L. Coleman, M. D.

A heart attack is a shattering emotional experience. The tall, the brave, the small, the weak, the rich and the poor—in all social, economic and intellectual levels—are affected by the sudden impact of this medical catastrophe.

One moment a person is a forceful, dynamic personality and in the next is an invalid. This is the simple tale of how one is suddenly admitted as an involuntary member to the not-so-exclusive coronary club.

In this anxiety producing age more and more members are being drafted into the club. Overweight, overindulgence in cholesterol-packed foods and excess tobacco are three basic qualifications for membership.

FIRM RULES

The tireless "tycoon" who could not spare an extra hour or weekend for relaxation suddenly finds himself in a hospital with six weeks of strict bed rest. The doctor firmly lays down the rules of a strict diet, no smoking, no telephones and no visitors.

The patient, who formerly resisted any suggestion by his family or his doctor to cut down on tension and activity, becomes the "ideal" patient overnight. His astonishment is great when he learns that his office is functioning miraculously well without his indispensable presence.

CLOSED ARTERY

A coronary heart attack is technically known as a myocardial infarction. This means that the coronary artery which brings blood, oxygen and nourishment to the heart muscle has been closed by some disease.

Complete rest is most essential so that the healthy part of the heart muscle can continue to beat until the whole heart once again becomes normal.

At first it is difficult for the coronary patient to adjust to the belief that the stunning disaster struck him. When the pain and anxiety is alleviated, with intensive medical care and with the constant reassurance of his doctor, recovery is on its way.

START THERAPY EARLY

Very early in the illness the physical and emotional rehabilitation of the patient must begin if he is to return to society as a productive human being, unshaken by the fear that he is a permanent cardiac invalid.

The recovered "coronary" can only be considered truly recovered when he again resumes normal activities in the home and in business with only sensible restrictions. Some patients recover completely from their physical heart attacks but remain emotional coronary cripples because of their fears.

VALUABLE WARNING

The overworked, overtensed, driving person who had a mild heart attack may have been given a "blessing in disguise." It may have provided a valuable warning that his body and the mind deserved reasonable rest and some periods of indulgence and relaxation in order to function at full, healthy capacity.

Coronary heart attacks can sometimes be prevented if the early warnings of physicians are taken seriously. Emotional tensions, overweight, tobacco and cholesterol are a few of the culprits that can be harnessed for better health.

CONTRACT BRIDGE . . .

By B. Jay Becker

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K95
♥ K87
♦ A9
♣ QJ1062

WEST
♠ 86432
♥ 8532
♦ 42
♣ K7

EAST
♠ J7
♥ J104
♦ KQ876
♣ A53

SOUTH
♠ AQ10
♥ AQ9
♦ J1053
♣ 984

The bidding:
North East South West
1♠ 1♦ 2NT Pass
3NT

Opening lead — four of diamonds.

Bridge would be a much simpler game if, every time you had to make an unusual play to make or break a contract, some kind soul would come along and ring a bell to warn you to take your time and be especially careful.

The trouble with these situations is that they usually sneak up on you unawares, and the first thing you know your opportunity to shine passes you by and it is then too late to do anything about it.

Let's say you have the East cards and your dear partner

leads a diamond against three notrump. Declarer plays low from dummy and you win with the queen and return a low diamond to the ace.

Declarer now leads a club from dummy and it does not matter whether you go up with the ace or let partner win the club with the king. In either case, the only tricks you get are two clubs and two diamonds, and South winds up making three notrump.

Now let's go back to trick one and assume that this kind soul we were talking about rang a bell loud and clear immediately after South played the nine of diamonds from dummy.

In that case, you would play the eight on the nine, not only as a signal to partner to continue the suit whenever he got in, but also to make it possible for your diamonds to be established before your one and only entry — the ace of clubs — was forced out.

If you made this unusual play, South would go down regardless of how he continued. You would score three diamonds and two clubs, assuming West won the first club lead, and South would have no one to blame for his defeat except your good friend the bell-changer.

But, of course, if you made this play without your friend's assistance at all, that would be even better.

today's GRAB BAG . . .

By Ruth Ramsey, Central Press Writer

THE ANSWER, QUICK!

1. What word describes divination by consulting the dead?
2. What is a Dolly Varden?
3. Name the highest peak in North America.
4. In what country would you find the former kingdom of Montenegro?
5. Approximately how far from Earth is the Moon?

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1790, Thomas Jefferson became the first American secretary of State.

BORN TODAY

German composer Johann Sebastian Bach was born in Eisenach, Germany, in 1685, into a family renowned for its musical genius.

He was educated chiefly by his elder brother, Bach became a virtuoso harpsichordist and organist before being appointed court organist at Weimar in 1708. There he perfected his organ style and wrote several of his finest cantatas.

During the six-year period he served as kapellmeister at Kottbus (1717-1723) Bach composed his major orchestral works—notably the "Brandenburg Concertos"—and finished his first book of fugues and preludes, including "The Well-Tempered Clavier."

In the last 27 years of his life

TRY AND STOP ME

By BENNETT CERF

Cleveland's Don Lindsay, aided by Charles Algernon Rice, in a roll-back mood, has renamed some famous classics. He now is prepared to offer Booth Tarkington's "Eight and a Half," Hecht and MacArthur's "Tenth Century," Gerty Stein's "Two Saints in One and a Half Acts," and Shakespeare's "Sixth Night." Coming up: "The Profile that Launched Five Hundred Ships," "Five Little Indians," and "The Three Hundred Who Hired into the Jaws of a Slight Virus Infection."

Socialite Horatio reports that his duplex is so dusty that when his breakfast ration of bread unexpectedly popped out of his toaster on to the floor, it took him fifteen minutes to find it.

A reporter seeking some statistics on manpower was told by a government official, "All we've got here is a compilation of the total number of people broken down by age and sex."

An American tourist in England, consumed with envy, asked the head gardener at Kensington Gardens, "How do you ever get lawns as perfect as that?" The reply was, "Well, madam, the first thing you have to do is begin about 600 years ago."

HAVE YOU GOT SHAKESPEARE'S "SIXTH NIGHT"?

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YOUR FUTURE

Leadership, love, loyalty are today's keys. Today's child will be independent.

IT'S BEEN SAID

We are never so happy, nor so unhappy, as we suppose ourselves to be.—Rochefoucauld.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

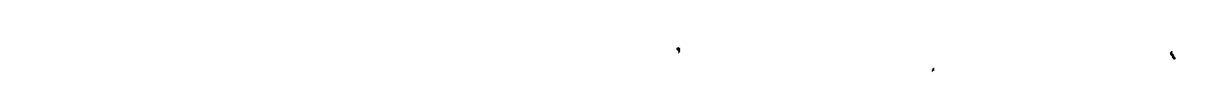
TATTERDEMAJON — (TAT-er-de-MAI-ye-n) — noun; a person in tattered clothing; a ragged fellow.

DID YOU KNOW...

The Great Lakes make up the world's largest inland water transportation system.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1. Necromancy.
2. A kind of trout.
3. Mt. McKinley, in Alaska.
4. Yugoslavians.
5. 250,000 miles.



WINTER IS FINALLY OVER--THANK GOODNESS

BH Okays \$500 For Study 'Dues'

Will Take Part In Planning Water, Sewage System

Benton Harbor city commission last night gave informal approval to spending \$500 for participation in a study on future water and sewage facilities in north Berrien county.

Complete cost of the study will be \$9,500 shared by up to 14 governmental units.

Commissioners Rex Sheeley and Ralph Lhotka questioned the expenditure because the city has water and sewage plants and has made offers to negotiate for sale of water with other units. However, they agreed to go along in a spirit of cooperation.

Sheeley wondered if the ultimate goal is a water authority in which Benton Harbor could lose control of its system. City Manager Don Stewart replied it would be up to the voters of Benton Harbor to decide if they want to become part of an authority.

Stewart also estimated that the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph water plants, with cer-

tain modifications, could provide water for up to the next 25 years for the area involved.

Benton Harbor and St. Joseph cities are each asked to put up \$500 while \$1,000 is sought from the Twin Cities sewage board, a creation of the two cities. Other shares range from \$2,500 for St. Joseph township to \$250 for Coloma and Watervliet townships.

Plans for the study were developed by the Berrien county public works board which selected an Ann Arbor engineering firm to conduct it.

NO BIDDERS

In other matters: The commission learned that no bids had been received to purchase the old WCTU home on Highland avenue. The building is regarded as sound structure and some commissioners suggested a hunt for buyers. The sale price is to be earmarked for benefit of the library.

A petition was received from 18 Wall street businesses for reduction of the parking limit from two hours to one for the block between Colfax avenue and Pipestone street. It was referred to discussion by the commission as a whole. Urban renewal demolition is expected to make more parking available in the area.

Urban Renewal Director Leslie Cripps said demolition is expected to start this week on a major part of the project after some preliminary salvage was conducted last week. Buildings will be grouped for demolition over 120 days because some are still occupied.

ACCEPTS OFFER

The commission voted to accept an offer of Mrs. F. Patricia Glade for the city to take title to a burned out building at 383 Park street. It also authorized razing of the house after the city manager completes negotiations to obtain the deed.

Acting as the zoning board of appeals, the commission authorized Vern and Echo Deane to obtain a building permit for repair of a snow-damaged roof at 243 Ninth street. Condemnation proceedings have been started for urban renewal and special action was necessary to obtain a building permit.

Mrs. Marie Nelson requested return of \$5 paid for a dance permit by the Happiness Bloom club for March 17 which she said followed prescribed procedure to get it. Another permit for a dance issued the same night reportedly reduced attendance at the Happiness Bloom club event.

City Atty. Ronald Sondee reported attorneys of four Twin Cities municipalities have met on a proposed ordinance for a Community Relations Advisory Board and are working on a draft that should be ready for presentation next week.

Permission was granted Mercy hospital to pave two alleys in connection with a development of a new parking lot between Agard avenue and Pipestone street.

NEW PLAYGROUND? Mayor Wilbert Smith directed the parks committee to confer with Benton township on the installation of playground equipment on the site of the old Highland Vista housing project.

Letters were received from Congressman Edward Hutchinson and Senator Robert Griffin saying that they are aware of the possible discontinuance of passenger trains by the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad and are watching the matter.

The commission received a note from the family of Roger Chaffee expressing appreciation for a letter of sympathy on the death of the astronaut in the Apollo tragedy. It followed a similar message from the family of Virgil Grissom.

Benton Harbor firemen about 10:30 a.m. yesterday were called to a blaze in an apartment at 335 Pipestone street and reported that it began from a small boy's playing with matches.

No one was injured in the fire, which started in a kitchen wastebasket and scorched a nearby stove, refrigerator and well. Firemen said the boy's mother, Mrs. Joyce Ann Phillips, was asleep at the time, but awoke and put out the blaze with the help of other occupants in the building. The boy was reported to be four years old.

Minutes before the blaze, a call, reported to be from an other small boy, took firemen to a false alarm run to a nonexistent address at 457 Stevens street.

A furnace wire short circuit caused about \$50 worth of damage in the home of Dorothy Seats at 165 Concord road, Benton township, according to Benton township firemen. The fire had gone out by the time firemen arrived last night.

The request of Mrs. Marion Stiles of the school faculty to attend a remedial reading conference to be held in Grand Rapids on April 3 and 4 was granted by the board.

The Eau Claire chapter of the Michigan Education Association asked the board to recognize the organization as a collective bargaining agent for the teachers. The request was tabled for consideration after a study and a report from Attorney Harold Klute, of Niles, with regard to a number of legal points involved in the request.

In other business, the board authorized the superintendent to conduct a summer speech correction program if a sufficient number of students are interested.



FIREHOUSE POLE: Fireman Harold Durham demonstrates the use of the brass-plated pole which has just been installed in Benton township fire station No. 1 on Territorial road. Durham and the other two firemen, William Klemm and Bruce Garrett, cut the hole and installed the pole. A cover and railing will eventually be added on the second floor. Station No. 3 also has a pole, but Station No. 2 does not. (Staff photo)

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Eau Claire Agrees To Tuition Plan

Opens Door To Students From Sodus Twp.

EAU CLAIRE—The Eau Claire board of education last night agreed to accept the graduating eighth graders of the River district school, Sodus township, on a tuition basis at Eau Claire high school next fall.

Eight eighth graders will go to Eau Claire high school under the program approved by the Eau Claire board after meeting with River board members. Don Silcox, Eau Claire superintendent, said River district now has 25 high school students. About one third of them go to Eau Claire high school and two thirds go to Benton Harbor high school. The Benton Harbor board has refused to take any more new tuition students but those River district students now going to Benton Harbor will be permitted to complete their education there.

The Eau Claire board also heard a delegation of parents and residents of the Macedonia community who asked that eight girl students from that area be returned to school.

Silcox said the eight have been suspended from school and petitioned to Berrien County juvenile court on charges that they extorted money from other students. Silcox and the board told the delegation that the girls could not be returned to school until their case is heard in juvenile court.

The superintendent said he bound traffic on Yore avenue. Other car involved was headed east on Meadowbrook. The driver, Margaret E. Thompson, 43, route 1, Benton Harbor, suffered a bump on the head. She was treated at Mercy hospital and released. Stewart was unhurt. (Staff photo)

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Spring Dips Toe Into Snowbanks

Still Chilly But Milder Weather Reported On Way

Winter was officially booted out of southwestern Michigan at 2:37 a.m. today.

The successor, Spring, took over immediately but announced some weeks would be needed to correct the damage winter had done. Snowbanks still stood three and four feet high along many streets and roadsides after record snowfalls.

Winter's parting blast in southwestern Michigan was a snowshower Monday that turned to rain and petered out just before spring's arrival.

The soupy mixture plopping out of the sky Monday totaled about three-quarters of an inch of water after everything melted in the twin cities.

An unofficially reported eight inches of snow fell in Alpena and snowplows had tough sledding in clearing the roads there, according to police.

But spring promised some changes starting tomorrow, when the high here should climb into the 40s. Thursday should be partly cloudy and mild.

The high today should be 35 to 40, and the low tonight is expected to hit 22 to 28.

B.H. Fire Blamed On Small Boy

Benton Harbor firemen about 10:30 a.m. yesterday were called to a blaze in an apartment at 335 Pipestone street and reported that it began from a small boy's playing with matches.

No one was injured in the fire, which started in a kitchen wastebasket and scorched a nearby stove, refrigerator and well. Firemen said the boy's mother, Mrs. Joyce Ann Phillips, was asleep at the time, but awoke and put out the blaze with the help of other occupants in the building. The boy was reported to be four years old.

Minutes before the blaze, a call, reported to be from an other small boy, took firemen to a false alarm run to a nonexistent address at 457 Stevens street.

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PRETTY BUT POTENT: Children of Miss Joyce Heyer's fifth grade class at Trinity Lutheran school, St. Joseph, were happy when photographer took picture of their teacher's Amorphophallus Rivieri because then it could be thrown out. More commonly known as Snake Palm, Devil's Tongue, Sacred Lily of India and the Sacred Heart of India, the plant has grown from a bulb to 54 inches in height from March 1 to March 20. But it also smells—like rotting flesh. The bulb is planted in the summer and grows a non-odorous palm leaf. It is stored away for winter and in early spring from the bulb alone comes a dark purple blossom. Growing without soil or water the blossom at its peak growth will add five inches in a single day, Miss Heyer said. It has been in her family for 20 years. (Staff Photo)

Traffic Unit Will Hear Court Expert

Meeting Is Scheduled For Thursday

The newly created Berrien County Traffic Coordinating committee will hear Kalamazoo attorney Edward J. Ryan speak on Michigan's proposed minor court reorganization legislation at its first business meeting Thursday noon at the Chicken Nook, St. Joseph.

Ryan is a member of the 24-man Joint Committee on Court Reorganization created by the State Legislature to draft a new minor court system for Michigan, taking the place of the Justice of the Peace and Circuit Court Commissioner. The 1963 Michigan Constitution calls for the abolishment of these offices as of Jan. 1, 1969.

After a year's work, the joint committee has submitted to the legislature a bill which calls for a new minor court system which would take the place of Courts and Detroit Common Pleas and Recorders' Court.

NEW LIMITS

The committee's proposal would permit only licensed members of the bar to serve as judges. The Michigan Justice of the Peace Association has sponsored a separate bill which would permit laymen to serve as judges in the new system.

The proposed new district court system will handle,

among other things, all traffic offenses, except for felonies and high misdemeanors.

The recent organization of the traffic coordinating committee is a key move in the Twin Cities Area Safety Council's plan to mount a county-wide fight against rising traffic accidents. The committee includes representatives of all public agencies and official and non-official organizations involved in the promotion of traffic safety.

OTHER POSTS

In addition to his post on the Joint Committee, Ryan also serves as chairman of the state bar committees on court administration and minor court reorganization.

He has previously served as probate and juvenile judge, Kalamazoo County; public administrator of Kalamazoo County, 1936; member of the Michigan Probate Judges Retirement Board, 1959; member of the State Judicial Council, 1959-61; and chairman of the Small Business Study Commission, 1960.

Richard Seagrave, vice president of the Twin Cities Area Safety Council, will preside over the meeting.

TWO STOLEN PURSES FOUND MINUS MONEY

A purse stolen from the home of Joseph Bradley, of 1261 Blossom Lane, Benton township, was found yesterday by Wallace Smith of 107 Quince drive, with papers intact, but \$12 gone. The purse was outside his back door.

Another purse reported missing yesterday by Diane Johnson of 1174 Highland avenue, Benton township, was found by several boys in the area, who dumped the pills out on the advice of one of their mothers.

Mrs. Bradley reported to Benton township police that her purse had been stolen about 11 p.m. Sunday night. She said her husband and she heard a noise downstairs and when they went to investigate, the purse was gone. Someone had entered by pushing open a kitchen window, and left by the back door.

Another larceny reported to police yesterday was four hubcaps valued at \$60 belonging to Joyous Irving of route 5, Dowagiac, Irving said they were stolen while his car was parked at Clark Equipment on Pipestone road.

S.J. Twp. Meeting Reslated

Due To Death Of Trustee Smith

The St. Joseph township board will meet at 7:30 Friday night after Supervisor Orval L. Benson adjourned last night's session following the unexpected death of Trustee Gale L. Smith.

Smith, 75, had served St. Joseph township as supervisor, clerk and trustee. He was found dead in his home at 1682 Colfax avenue, Benton Harbor, shortly after the township meeting was to open.

Trustees will take up a request that St. Joseph township join with other twin city government units to set up a human relations council at the meeting Friday night.

Representatives of the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) outlined the proposal briefly last night before the meeting was adjourned.

The Rev. Edward Goodman of the Berrien Council of Churches and a member of CRAB said the proposed committee recognized the interdependence of the either twin city area on each of its municipalities. The proposed committee would include six representatives from each of the four units.

This committee would seek to head off racial strife by trying to eliminate its causes, the Rev. Goodman said.

Others speakers were the Rev. George C. Deuma, pastor of the Fairplay Presbyterian church; Lloyd Sanborn of the Benton Harbor YMCA; Dennis Donovan of the Twin City Area Chamber of Commerce and Mrs. Robert Larson of the League of Women Voters.

Dr. John Manning, newly-elected trustee who will take office at the annual meeting April 1, attended the meeting.

SERVICES PLANNED

DETROIT (AP)—Services for Julian P. Rodgers Sr., Detroit's first Negro assistant corporation counsel, will be held Wednesday in Detroit. Rodgers, 81, died Sunday in a Detroit hospital.

SKATING IN BH?

Sheeley Considers Reopening His Rink

Rex Sheeley said last night he is considering reopening his skating rink at Highland avenue and Valley drive which has been closed since civil disturbances last August. Sheeley added that he has had many requests to start skating again and is pondering if there is enough interest to make it profitable. There are certain fixed costs involved in reopening and he observed that his rink would be in competition with skating at two schools where the cost to participate is less than in a private venture. Sheeley is a city commissioner and several requests have been filed with the commission to resume skating. The commission has pointed out that it's strictly up to Sheeley.

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COUNTY ASKED TO BUY ORIGINAL COURTHOUSE

Berrien Will Make Towns Pay

IN CASS

Psychiatrist
To Examine
Rape Suspect

CASSOPOLIS — The Cass county circuit court yesterday granted the petition filed by Attorney Victor Bucknel, of Vicksburg, for the postponement of the trial of a man accused of statutory rape in order to secure a psychiatric examination of the defendant.

The jury trial of Richard Paul Hummel, 35, of route 1, Constantine, was scheduled to begin Monday. Hummel is charged with the rape of an eight-year-old Cass county girl the last week in November, 1966. He has been confined in the Cass county jail since his arrest on Dec. 3.

Bankruptcy
Auction Set
On FridayWalkden Assets
Valued At Third
Of Million Dollars

Assets of Walkden Supply valued at a third of a million dollars, will be sold at public auction at 2 p.m. Friday in the bankruptcy court room, Federal building, 410 West Michigan avenue, Kalamazoo.

The auction is being held by order of David E. Nims, Jr., referee in bankruptcy, U.S. District Court for the Western district of Michigan, South Division.

President of Walkden Supply, Inc., and principal owner was Jack A. Dean of Berrien Springs, against whom an involuntary bankruptcy was also filed last December.

Assets include real estate of two concrete ready-mix batch plants at 1359 Milton street, Benton Harbor, and 522 North Front street, Niles; personal property at a plant at Hubbard court and Clark avenue, Benton township; leasehold interest in a high-grade gravel pit on M-62 west of Dowagiac, and a three-acre parcel of land in Silver Creek township, Cass county.

Equipment includes office equipment, vehicles and other equipment, including gravel train, ready-mix transit trucks, materials and supplies.

Total appraised value of all real and personal property, except the leasehold interest, is \$345,545.89.

Inspection of property Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. can be made by arrangement with Atty. Edward M. Yampolsky, receiver, whose office is at 310-311 Fidelity building, Benton Harbor.

Adventists To
Break Ground
For Church

DOWAGIAC—Members of the Dowagiac Seventh-day Adventist church will break ground this evening for a new church building on the church-owned property on Hill street. Pastor E.F. Herzel of Decatur said the ceremony is scheduled at 6 p.m. The church now holds services in a building at 505 North Front street.

Coloma Groups Jumping On
Silver Jubilee Bandwagon

COLOMA—The proposed Silver Jubilee celebration planned in Coloma was approved by representatives of various Coloma organizations in a meeting Monday night in the Coloma city hall to assess interest in the event.

James Polashak was recently elected chairman of the steering committee appointed by the city commission to direct a 25th anniversary celebration of the city's chartering.

To Share
Cost Of
Prisoners\$4.50 Per Day
Rate Established

Supervisors agreed Monday on a measure that would force cities and villages to pay their share for housing of prisoners in Berrien county jail, as demanded by the state auditor general.

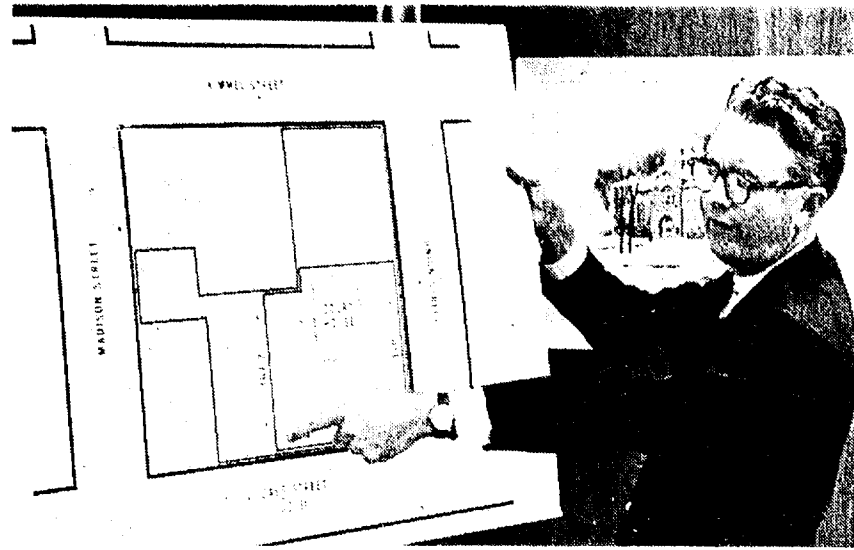
The two-pronged measure passed by the board provides that all incorporated local units pay \$4.50 per day for keep of prisoners arrested on city or village ordinances. The county, in turn, will pay a like amount for other prisoners held in a city or village jail.

Though billed as a reciprocal contract system that is binding only on local units that agree to it, the measure will virtually force compliance from most cities and villages. Board Finance Committee Chairman Ivan Price said after the meeting that Sheriff Henry Griese would be instructed not to accept prisoners from local units that do not participate in the program. The program does not apply to townships, because they do not collect fine money from violators of their few local ordinances.

CITIES AGREE

Despite a long standing complaint that cities are already paying more than their share for county law enforcement, all city representatives went along with the proposal. One said after the meeting that it would silence rural supervisors who have contended the cities do not pay their share for support of the jail. Its effect will be felt chiefly by the cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph.

Price said the \$4.50 figure



HISTORIC SITE: John Paul Taylor of St. Joseph is spokesman for seven historical groups in Berrien county in asking Berrien board of supervisors to buy county's original courthouse building at Berrien Springs to preserve as historical site and for use as historical museum. Diagram he points to shows property parcels available with a 128-year-old building. (Staff photo).

was arrived at by dividing overall jail cost by the average number of prisoners. At least \$3.50 in direct costs can be proven, he said, and the rest is an estimate on tangibles such as heat, water and electricity.

Supervisors last year approved a measure calling for payments by municipalities, but Price said the county has had no success in making collections. Sheriff Griese has been sending out bills based on a 70c per day figure, but no money has been coming in, Price said, as the earlier action had no legal basis.

STEWART'S COMMENT

Benton Harbor City Manager Don Stewart indicated his city has budgeted \$4,800 to \$8,000 for housing of prisoners in the county jail.

Niles has been billing the county about \$7 per day for county prisoners held in its jail,

Price said, but Niles city officials have indicated they would settle for the \$4.50 figure. The county has been paying only food costs, rather than the total bill, he added.

In other actions, the board approved a change in procedures for the county's pension plan, and discussed upcoming ambulance service problems.

The new pension system will change the amounts contributed by various county departments, but will have little or no effect on total collections. Departments will now contribute \$4.50 for every dollar contributed by the employee.

Under the old system departments contributed a flat 4 1/2 percent of total payroll. This created inequities between departments, Pension Board Chairman Frank Runyon explained. Departments, such as Berrien county hospital, which

have few employees receiving benefits, were paying nearly as much as the road commission, which has many retired employees.

Though the hospital, road commission and courthouse have similar payrolls, the hospital has high turnover and few employees that qualify for participation in the pension program. The road commission, however, has high participation but had been contributing less to the program than the hospital.

Under the new system, the road commission contribution will go up and the hospital contribution down. The general county offices contribution will remain about the same.

Despite rapidly rising payments, Runyon added, the pension fund is currently solvent and there is no prospect of financial difficulty in the near future.

Though no action was taken on the ambulance service problem, St. Joseph Township Supervisor Orville Benson said county funeral directors have made it plain there will be no extension on the June 30 date they have set for getting out of the ambulance business. Benson said he didn't know what would be done, but someone must pick up the project. Only two funeral directors will maintain ambulance services.

A meeting of the county's special ambulance service study committee and mayors from cities throughout the county is scheduled for March 29, Benson said. Benton Harbor and Benton township have private ambulance service. New Buffalo will be served by Smith funeral home, and Davidson funeral home has indicated it will maintain service for Coloma.

Other cities will be asked if they have any plans for providing ambulance services, and an attempt will be made to work out some sort of overall county program. Areas which can provide their own will not need to be included, he added.

Niles area veterans of World War I announced to the board that they will be hosting an annual national Convention July 13-16 and asked supervisors if they would contribute financial support for the event. The matter was referred to the finance committee for study.

Four State
GIs Die
In Vietnam

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Defense Department has announced that four Michigan men are among the 110 dead or missing in Vietnam last week.

Killed in action were Army Spec. 4 James C. La Lone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard La Lone of Hazel Park, and Marine Lance Cpl. Ted Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Williams of Detroit.

Army Spec. 4 Thomas E. Garside, son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Garside of Flint, also died as a result of enemy action. He had previously been listed as missing.

Another man died as a result of hostile action. He was Army Sgt. Ivory P. Parrish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivory Parrish of Detroit.

Would Be
Turned Into
MuseumFeather Will Step
Down; Four Board
Members Retiring

A plea for the county to buy Berrien county's original courthouse building at Berrien Springs to preserve it as a historical site and for use as a museum met with a seemingly interested response from the board of supervisors Monday.

The regular March session of the county governing body also was of some minor historical significance itself, for it concluded the unprecedented second term of Supervisor Robert Feather as chairman of the board. It also was the final meeting for four supervisors whose terms had been extended to April 10 by the 1963 state constitution and related legislation.

A group representing seven local historical groups in the county proposed formally to the board yesterday that the county purchase the 128-year-old original courthouse building at Berrien Springs for \$20,000 or \$30,000, depending on the amount of land secured with the structure. Backing the request was John Paul Taylor, a member of the Ft. Miami Heritage society in the twin cities, on behalf of the seven groups, were petitions with 1,200 signatures.

While the request was referred to committee, which is normal practice before any decision can be made, there was no show of resistance to the idea.

PROPOSED SALE

Taylor said the Seventh Day Adventist church of Berrien Springs, owner of the historic property, has agreed to sell the old courthouse and a lot approximately 140 by 170 feet for \$20,000. For \$30,000, the church, which had conducted its worship services in the structure for years until completion of a new church recently, would sell the building and an irregular plot of land that is about twice as large.

If the county will buy the property, Taylor said, the various historical groups feel they will be able to convert it to a historical museum and stock it with artifacts and exhibits depicting important aspects of the county's past. Taylor proposed the county would pay maintenance and repair costs.

Dan L. Porter of Berrien Springs, president of the historical museum plan for the old courthouse, said the prices offered were very favorable. Earlier appraisals had set the value of the lot in the \$20,000 package at about \$23,000, and the land in the \$30,000 package at some \$47,000. The appraisal put no commercial value on the building itself.

Charles M. Davis, vice presi-



CHAIRMAN BOWS OUT: Supervisor Robert Feather of Oronoko township addresses Berrien board of supervisor yesterday as he ended unprecedented second term as chairman of the county board. Chosen for second term primarily to lead board to solution of hospital annex "headache", he noted the problem still persists but major steps have been taken toward final solution. (Staff photo).

dent of the Ft. Miami society, suggested it would take \$2,000 to \$3,000 worth of minor repairs to put the building in good useable condition. Taylor said the heating system was in good condition.

Asked by Supervisor Herbert Seeder of Chikaming township if the historical groups had any thoughts about the preservation of the county's second courthouse in St. Joseph, Taylor said there was considerable division among the groups over the historical value of this structure.

After a rising vote of appreciation by the supervisors for his leadership the past two years, Board Chairman Feather closed his term in that office with brief comments on accomplishments of the board and "debts" in that period.

As accomplishments, he cited the move into the new courthouse, establishment of a board of public works, insurance program for employees, and a merit pay system for employees. As debts, he noted that the county hospital annex problem has not been fully solved yet and cited the job of reapportioning seats in the county government.

SUCCESSOR TO FEATHER

A successor to Feather as chairman is to be elected at the first of three April sessions, on April 11.

Under a gentlemen's agreement, the next chairman is to come from the ranks of the city supervisors. Leaders among

the city supervisors said they did not know, or weren't prepared to say, who the candidate might be.

Brief remarks were also offered by four supervisors whose terms expire as of April 10. These men were William Kramer, Three Oaks township; William Morgridge, Niles city; W. E. Griffith, Watervliet city; and Glen Randall, Coloma city.

In other business, the board approved a proposal of the judiciary committee to hire an additional deputy dog warden to cope with the work load of the dog warden's department. The starting salary will be \$5,239, plus standard fringe benefits. The board also approved a request of the finance committee to buy a new truck, a special truck box and a radio for the new deputy warden, at an estimated cost of \$3,000.

DOG LICENSE SALES

Judiciary Committee Chairman Lamont Tufts reported dog license sales in January and February exceed those of the same months in 1966 by \$3,064, despite the heavy snows. Tufts attributed the gain to a series of several reminder ads the committee placed in county newspapers.

A lone bid to supply three new autos for the county at a price of \$4,735 was accepted by the board. Finance Chairman Ivan Price said this average of nearly \$1,600 per car, plus the old car trade-ins, is somewhat higher than the average cost in recent years. Previously, the county has been paying about \$1,000 to boot. Price said bids were asked from 11 dealers and only the Galien Plymouth dealer responded. Selling cars to the county has not been profitable for the dealers, he explained.

Also approved yesterday was the expenditure of up to \$6,646 to provide furniture and equipment for a new circuit court office on the second floor of the courthouse. The new office will take over the present jury assembly room, and that room will be moved to the unused third courtroom. Mounting court business has forced the opening of the larger office sooner than was anticipated when the courthouse offices were equipped earlier.

In connection with the equipment and furnishings put into the courthouse before it was opened last fall, the board approved a transfer of \$87,830 from the county general fund to the County Building Authority. It is to be used to pay off the final one-third installment on the \$220,817 cost of furniture and equipment.

To satisfy a legal requirement, the board yesterday designated the Port Street entrance (south door) as the main door or entrance of the courthouse.

Among a total of \$75,202 worth of bills approved for February, the supervisors approved a bill for \$12,079 from the law firm of Kilian, Spelman and Taglia for legal services in connection with the county hospital annex case. This sum brought the firm's fees to date to \$82,682. This does not include \$18,774 authorized last month for the fees of appraisers and other expert witnesses in the recent trial to set the price tax on the annex.

NEW BUFFALO

Band Parents Plan
Dinner On April 25

NEW BUFFALO—Mrs. Paul Ballew, chairman of the New Buffalo Band Parents fund-raising chicken dinner, has announced that April 25 is the date for the dinner which will be held from 4 to 10 p.m. at the Little Bohemia restaurant. Committee chairmen include: Mrs. Martha Holm, serving and helpers; Mrs. Paul Oselka, tickets; Thomas Killingbeck, bus boys; Mrs. Veronica Schroeder, tickets at door; Mrs. George Kingshott and Mrs. Don Schulz, hostesses; and Mrs. William McNeill and Mrs. Paul Kelsey, publicity. Proceeds from the dinner will go toward the Interlechen Scholarship fund.

HOME DESTROYED

Man Jumps Out Of
Window Fleeing Fire

BUCHANAN — Fire believed caused by a defective chimney destroyed a Buchanan township home and its contents this morning, causing damage estimated at \$10,000.

Owner Billie Green, 23, told Berrien county sheriff's Deputy Stanley Wolkins he awoke at about 4 a.m. and smelled smoke. When he started to leave his bedroom by a door he found the rest of the house was filled with smoke and saw

flames near the chimney so he jumped out a window and ran to a neighbor's home to phone Bertrand township firemen.

Bertrand Fire Chief Adam Kuntz said the blaze was out of control when firemen arrived at the dwelling located on the Gallen-Buchanan road, one-half mile west of Dayton road.

Kuntz said he believes the blaze was caused by a defective chimney. No one was reported injured.

One Unopposed In
Gables Election

GOBLES — Four men have filed for three city commission seats in the April 3 election at Gobles. Another man is running unopposed for the commission.

Those seeking the three seats for three-year terms are incumbents Donald Lipp, Robert Koehn and Donald McFadden plus political newcomer John K. Sagers. Anthony Grudecki is unopposed in his bid for a two-year term.

The election will be held in the Gobles fire hall from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Named to the election board were Mrs. Alfred Healy, Mrs. Earl Newcombe, Mrs. Pearl Richards, Mrs. Edwin Budzinski, Mrs. Paul Weston and city clerk Mrs. Marion Van Strien.

The board of canvassers is composed of Mrs. William Bailey, Mrs. Bruce Storey, Mrs. Robert Curtiss and Mrs. Otis Norman.

Representatives of the Coloma Volunteer Fire Department and the American Legion last night agreed to sponsor a carnival and a torch light parade and the North Berrien Historical society will plan an antique display and an ice cream social. The Lions club agreed to take charge of the proposed ox roast and the Town and Country club will sponsor a variety show. The Chamber of Commerce will provide souvenirs and plan

window decorations in the stores.

The Coloma Jaycees will sponsor a Gladiolus Festival in conjunction with the event planned for Aug. 4, 5 and 6.

Polashak called for more organizations to volunteer to sponsor attractions in connection with the celebration and requested that all interested persons attend a meeting scheduled for April 17 at 8 p.m. in the city hall.

Milk Strike Violence Increases--Prices Don't



TOGETHER: Princess Margaret of Great Britain dances with her husband, Lord Snowdon, Monday night in London. The princess was at the Empire Leicester Square to present the Carl-Alan awards, the "Oscars" of ballroom dancing. The royal couple is just back home after a 10-day holiday in the Bahamas. (AP Wirephoto by cable from London.)

Children To Register For School

Round-Up April 4 In Galien Township

GALIEN — A round-up of children who will enter kindergarten in the Galien township school in the fall term is scheduled for April 4. Children who will be five before Dec. 1, 1967 must register at this time at the school.

Those whose last names begin with A through L must register at 9 a. m. and those from M through Z at 9:30 a. m.

EXAMINATIONS

Dr. G. G. O'Malley, with the assistance of Berrien county nurses, will examine the children. Those who have not received immunization against smallpox, cough, polio and measles, including the test for tuberculosis, will receive these shots unless they produce evidence that the child has had this protection.

Kindergarten classes regularly in session will not be held on this date.

Dies In Fire

SPRINGVALE, Maine (AP) — Former jazz trumpeter Randy Brooks, 49, died early today in an apartment house fire.



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OREN STALEY

NFO Chief's Family Is Threatened

Staley Claims Degree Of Victory

CHICAGO (AP) — Oren Lee Staley's wife and three children were whisked from their home to a secret location Monday night following a telephoned threat against Staley, president of the National Farmers Organization which is withholding milk in 25 states.

The six-day-old holding action aims at boosting by two cents a quart the price paid dairy farmers for milk.

"We're very confident that the available supply of milk is being cut into very rapidly and that the industry is doing everything possible to shift things around. And their supply is getting very thin," Staley said.

Police refused to say where they took Staley's wife and three children but the family was returned to its Whitesville, Mo., home before midnight.

NOT WORRIED

Staley said only that the caller threatened the family "generally." He said he was not worried because "I have a lot of local NFO neighbors and they will take care of the situation."

Staley spoke from NFO headquarters in Corns, Iowa.

Meanwhile, arrests and incidents of violence multiplied, millions of gallons of milk were spilled and tempers rubbed raw. The effects were hard to gauge. Staley claimed a two-cent-a-quart retail milk price increase in Omaha was an NFO victory, though retailers argued it was merely a market correction after a price war.

Some areas confessed lack of success. "It's not a heavy holding action," said Reuben Anders in Bucks County, N.Y. "We realize we aren't going to dry up Doylestown or Philadelphia." He estimated, though, that the action had reduced the county's output by 10 per cent.

A producer official claimed there were "no noticeable or significant effects" in Philadelphia. And in Milwaukee, two large NFO shippers dropped the holding action.

There was no doubt of the action's success in some areas. Producers said supplies in the Erie-Crawford area of Pennsylvania were down nearly 35 per cent. Dealers in the Cincinnati area said they were beginning to feel the pinch, and voiced

Kelley Issues Firm Warning

Freeman Eyes Farmers' Plight

DETROIT (AP) — A six-day-old milk strike has brought a warning from Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley against conspiratorial violence and sympathy for the dairy farmers' plight from Agriculture Secretary Orville Freeman.

The National Farmers Organization (NFO) is sponsoring the withholding action by which it hopes to force a two-cent-a-quart increase in the price of milk. NFO members in 25 states including Michigan, are participating in the strike.

Sporadic violence has been reported in several localities, including dynamite bombings, shootings, milk dumpings and the threat of arsenic poisoning in milk supplies.

Kelley asked prosecuting attorneys to keep him informed of developments in the milk dispute.

CITIZEN LATITUDE

Kelley said:

"While there is great latitude in the law for peaceful measures which may be undertaken in such a dispute, there is no room for acts of violence."

"If the facts at any point suggest a multicounty conspiracy to violate the laws, a felony prosecution may be undertaken."

Meanwhile, Secretary Freeman told a news conference in Detroit that there probably will be more farmer unrest leading to higher milk and food prices. "This unrest will reflect itself until we have a fair deal for all our farmers," he said. "Farm prices have fallen rather sharply and are lower than 20 years ago. Food prices are up 35 per cent, and farm prices have gone down four per cent in the past 20 years."

Freeman said the average dairy farmer in Michigan is lucky if his income is half the hourly rate of an auto factory worker.

In most areas of the state, dairy supplies were reported near-normal despite the withholding action. Reports of violence declined, although State Agriculture Department inspectors continued to check every shipment of milk to Detroit from the Imlay City area.

An anonymous phone call Sunday warned that some milk shipments might be laced with arsenic. Police said they believed the call was a hoax.

The Michigan Milk Producers Association (MMPA) has filed a million-dollar damage suit against the NFO, charging that the militant farmers' group was resorting to terror in an effort to dry up the state's milk supply. The suit was filed in Ingham County Circuit Court Monday.

Divorces Granted

The following divorces have been granted by Berrien Circuit Judge Chester J. Byrnes:

Sandra Brady, Benton Harbor, from Aroy H. Brady. Custody of two children to the mother. They were married Sept. 10, 1960.

Marie Baker, St. Joseph, from Edmund Baker. Custody of three children to the mother. They were married Aug. 10, 1950.

Joan J. Thar, Lincoln township, from Kenneth A. Thar. Custody of two children to the mother. They were married April 26, 1958.

Louise Johnson, St. Joseph, from Clinton Johnson. Custody of two children to the mother. They were married Sept. 19, 1937.

Morris Peterman, Jr., New Buffalo township, from Nancy K. Peterman. Custody of a child to the mother. They were married Aug. 14, 1962.

Kay P. Arant, Benton Harbor, from William H. Arant. Custody of two children to the mother. They were married Dec. 16, 1961.

Lenore M. Jones, Stevensville, from Roger Jones. Custody of two children to the mother. They were married Sept. 2, 1961.

Dorothy M. Archer, Benton township, from Melvin Archer, Jr. Custody of five children to the mother. They were married Sept. 27, 1955.

Ray L. Hulce, Niles, from Rebecca J. Hulce. They were married Feb. 21, 1966.

Josephine A. Genovese, St. Joseph township, from Peter P. Genovese. Custody of three children to the mother. They were married Aug. 17, 1957.

Daisy M. Reschke, Benton Harbor, from Otto Reschke. They were married April 20, 1910.

Betty J. Sargent, St. Joseph, from Robert R. Sargent. Custody of a child to the mother. They were married Jan. 3, 1948.

Phyllis Sorenson, Wea's township, has been granted an annulment from Robert C. Sorenson. They were married May 23, 1960.



MILK BATH: Reasoning that if they aren't going to ship their milk, they may as well bathe in it, Mrs. Dodridge Brooks, route 3, Waupaca, Wis., put on her bathing suit and slid into the filled milk holding tank. Her husband, an NFO member, adds some more warm milk. (AP Wirephoto)



BABYSITTING with some day-old chicks is a chimp named "Sherry" at New York's Coney Island animal nursery. Compatibility between animals is common at the nursery, where even dogs and cats hit it off well together.



NAVY BARRAGE VICTIMS: A South Vietnamese helps his wounded wife to an aid station in Sa Huynh after the village was struck by a naval barrage during Operation Deckhouse VI. Deckhouse is one of several drives underway.

Holidays Will Cut Car Output

DETROIT (AP) — The long Easter weekend was slated to cut heavily into U.S. auto production this week.

Under the auto industry's labor pact, Good Friday is a holiday and virtually all operations were slated to be closed Holy Saturday as well.

Output last week passed the 163,000 mark, highest since mid-January, but this week's car output was expected to level off at about 134,000 units.

Chancellor Roughed Up By Students

NEW YORK (AP) — Hundreds of shouting students surrounded the Long Island University chancellor Monday on the school's Brooklyn campus demanding reinstatement of the provost. Campus policemen pulled him from the crowd.

His coat ripped, Chancellor R. Gordon Hosie was assisted by the policemen to his office, where he said in a trembling voice: "This is a day of infamy in the life of the student body."

Police estimated that 1,500 students took part in the demonstration.

Legals

TO THE TAXPAYERS OF THE VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM

The Board of Review Meeting for the Village of Shoreham will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 1967, from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. at the Village Hall on Brown School Road.

JANET M. HELSEY, Shoreham Village Clerk Mar. 21, 25, 1967 Adv.

On April 1, 1967, 10:00 a.m., Lienholder will sell one 1966 Ford, Serial No. 6G65210729 at South State & Midway, St. Joseph, where vehicle is stored and may be seen. Mar. 21, 22, 1967

REGULAR MEETING

March 2, 1967

The regular meeting of the Chikaming Township Board was held at the Lakeside fire station on March 2, 1967. Meeting called to order by the supervisor at 8:00 p.m. All Board members present.

Minutes of the February 2 and February 9 meetings were read, and accepted after correction of statement regarding miles driven by the policemen in February. Figure given was 255.5; correct figure 254.3 miles.

Township officers elected on November 8, 1966 were given the oath of office by justice-of-the-peace James Patejil. These officers will assume their duties on April 10, 1967.

Elmer V. Nelson, Zoning and Building Code Administrator, gave his report for January. Permits in the amount of \$29,300.00 were issued and \$62.00 was collected in fees.

Bills in the amount of \$5700.84 were allowed upon motion of Harrington, supported by O'Grady as follows:

Chikaming Twp. 515.00

Water Dept. 542.85

Ind. & Mich. 24.70

Electric Co. 194.97

Mich. Bell Tel. Co. 94.00

Theisen-Clemens Co. 48.75

Herald Press 3.75

New Buffalo 31.25

Times 9.29

Theron D. Childs 24.00

Bank of Three Oaks 143.00

Virginia Sperry (reimbursed) 12.00

John Schaller 24.00

Harry S. Olson 301.84

Edward F. Austin 143.00

Vincent Brown 154.50

Treasurer 28.68

Don's D-X Service & Rental 43.20

Five Equipment 15.00

Sales & Ser. 4.50

Brammell Supply Co. 159.00

Walter Freyer, Treasurer 34.41

James Kasper 7.60

Franzoni Shell Service Citizens Telephone Co. 26.55

Gerber Mfg. Company 82.60

Ollie Long's Standard Ser. 28.68

Carl's Texaco Ser. 583.95

William Spaulding Harold Phillips, Treas. 180.64

Richard S. Olson

Lena Abrahamson

Pearl E. Harrington

Floyd Perham	87.60
Clarence J. O'Grady	180.64
Virginia Sperry	700.05
Herbert Seeder	810.55
Elmer V. Nelson	238.00
Allen Harrington	85.51
Alton P. Harrington	89.02
Henry C. Klemmchen	30.64
Ivan A. Zimmerman	38.20
Robert A. Lee	21.51
Anderson G. Lee	13.02
Harry S. Olson	54.76

The clerk read a letter from Edward J. Hudra, New Buffalo, concerning the availability of real estate adjoining the Township's Union Pier well site. It was moved by O'Grady, supported by Harrington that the Township inform Mr. Hudra that the Board is not interested in purchasing this property. Motion carried.

A letter from the State of Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulation asking assistance in the matter of contractor's licensing was discussed with the building inspector. It was moved by O'Grady, supported by Sperry that the matter of requesting a license from contractors when a building permit is sought, be tabled until the outcome of the pending suit regarding the law is known. Motion carried.

It was moved by O'Grady, supported by Harrington that the \$20,000.00 bond for the treasurer, and the \$1000.00 bond for the constable and the \$1500.00 bond for the Building Inspector be renewed; that the \$1000.00 bond for the township clerk not be renewed. Motion carried.

It was moved by O'Grady, supported by Sperry that bonds for the township policemen be renewed as necessary as long as the policemen are active in the department. Motion carried.

It was announced that the Board of Review will meet at the Lakeside fire station on March 21, 22 and 23.

Saturday, April 1, 1967 was announced as the date for the next Annual Township Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Chikaming Elementary School at 2:30 o'clock. The budget hearing was scheduled for 1:30 o'clock on April 1.

It was moved by Harrington, supported by Abrahamson, that the officers elected by the police department for a term of one year, he accepted as follows: Chief-C.J. O'Grady; Asst. chief-Harry S. Olson; Secretary-Treasurer-Anderson G. Lee. On roll-call votes: yeas, all. Nayes-none.

James Patejil asked Township Board approval for an S.D.M. license for "Jim's Super Market" to be established in Sawyer. It was moved by O'Grady, supported by Harrington that approval be given at such time as the Liquor Control Commission requests it. Motion carried.

It was moved by Abrahamson, supported by O'Grady, that the Township's 1962 Plymouth, formerly used as a police car, be sold for \$275.00 cash. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned upon motion of Harrington, supported by Sperry. The next regular meeting will be held on April 6, 1967.

LENA ABRAHAMSEN Township Clerk

March 21, 1967

Box Replies

12 — 31 — 34 — 53

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last And Found 1

LOST—One 1961 boy's class ring and one silver ring with diamonds and settings. Rewarded. Call Baroda 422-1515.

Card Of Thanks 2

THE FAMILY of Rose Gorder wishes to thank all their friends, neighbors and relatives for all the kind acts of sympathy, for the prayers and floral offerings. Special thanks to Rev. Joseph R. Byrne, the Resler Funeral Home and the St. John's Altar Society. We are deeply grateful.

In Memoriam 3

IN LOVING MEMORY OF—Our son, Raymond Phillip Nelson, who passed away one year ago March 20, 1966. O blessed little son, who lived and loved and prayed. We give thanks to the keeping Of the tender shepherd's care. Mom and Dad

Special Notices 6

NEW SPRING—Dresses, coats, suits, pleated earrings. FLAIR at Carroll City's. Across from YWCA, St. Joe.

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